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DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN PATENT APPLICATION (37 CFR 1.63)

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Method and system for the detection of surface defects on a metal product as it is being continuously cast

the application of which
 is attached hereto

OR

was filed on October 29, 2004
as United States Application Number or PCT International Application
Number PCT/FR04/02802
(Confirmation No. _____), and was amended on
_____ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified application, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56, including for continuation-in-part application(s), material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

I hereby claim foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) or (f), or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent, inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or 365(a) of any PCT international application(s) which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application(s) for patent, inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or any PCT international application(s) having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Prior Application Number(s)	Country	Filing Date	Priority Claimed
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0313498	FRANCE	18.11.2003	X <input type="checkbox"/>

I hereby claim benefit under 35 United States Code §119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

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I hereby claim benefit under 35 United States Code §120 of any United States application(s) or §365(c) of any PCT International application(s) designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in a listed prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, I acknowledge my duty to disclose any information material to the patentability of this application as defined in 37 C.F.R. 1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

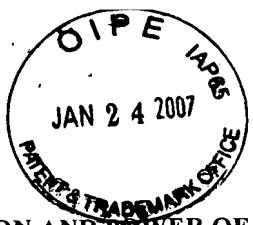
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I hereby appoint all attorneys of **SUGHRUE MION, PLLC** who are listed under the USPTO Customer Number shown below as my attorneys to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith, recognizing that the specific attorneys listed under that Customer Number may be changed from time to time at the sole discretion of Sughrue Mion, PLLC, and request that all correspondence about the application be addressed to the address filed under the same USPTO Customer Number.

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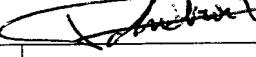
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ASSIGNMENT

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(hereinafter called the Assignee) the entire right, title and interest in and to any and all improvements which are disclosed in the application for United States Letters Patent entitled

METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR THE DETECTION OF SURFACE DEFECTS ON A METAL PRODUCT AS IT IS BEING CONTINUOUSLY CAST

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It is hereby authorized and requested that the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks issue any and all said Letters Patent, when granted, to said Assignee.

Further, it is agreed that, when requested, without charge to but at the expense of said Assignee, the undersigned will execute all divisional, continuing, substitute, renewal, and reissue patent applications; execute all rightful other papers, and generally do everything possible which said Assignee shall consider desirable for aiding in securing and maintaining proper patent protection.

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